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Sea Port Group Securities, LLC		, as
of December 31	, 20 <b>08</b> , are	true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that
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# SEA PORT GROUP SECURITIES, LLC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2008 (WITH SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION)

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### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Member Sea Port Group Securities, LLC (a wholly owned subsidiary of The Seaport Group, LLC)

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Sea Port Group Securities, LLC (a wholly owned subsidiary of The Seaport Group, LLC) as of December 31, 2008, and the related statements of income, changes in member's equity, and cash flows for the year then ended that you are filing pursuant to Rule 17A-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Sea Port Group Securities, LLC at December 31, 2008, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The information contained in Schedules I, II, III and IV is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by Rule 17A-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Povol & Feldman, CPA, PC Lake Success, New York

February 18, 2009

# SEA PORT GROUP SECURITIES, LLC STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION DECEMBER 31, 2008

# **ASSETS**

Assets:		
Cash	\$6,070,487	
Receivable from broker-dealers and clearing organizations	21,030	
Securities owned:		
Marketable, at fair value	274,296	
Not readily marketable, at estimated fair value	1,060,973	
Prepaid expenses	82,228	
Deposit with clearing broker	300,000	
Total Assets	<u>\$7,809,014</u>	

# **LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY**

Liabilities: Accounts payable Income taxes payable, including deferred taxes of \$2,111	\$2,034,362 <u>186,223</u> 2,220,585
Member's Equity	5,588,429
Total Liabilities and Member's Equity	<u>\$7,809,014</u>

# SEA PORT GROUP SECURITIES, LLC STATEMENT OF INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

Revenues:	
Brokerage	\$26,732,031
Commission	3,362,731
Interest and other gains & losses	(263,709)
	29,831,053
Cost of Operations:	
Employee compensation and benefits	3,870,546
Commissions and clearing fees	18,389,181
Regulatory fees and expenses	444,905
Communication and data processing	520,539
Occupancy	826,686
Interest	9,070
Other operating expenses	<u>1,529,829</u>
	25,590,756
Income before income taxes	4,240,297
Provision for income taxes	<u>169,512</u>
Net Income	<u>\$ 4,070,785</u>

# SEA PORT GROUP SECURITIES, LLC STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBER'S EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

Member's equity - beginning of year	\$ 3,242,644
Net Income	4,070,785
Less: Member's distributions	(1,725,000)
Member's equity - end of year	\$ 5,588,429

# SEA PORT GROUP SECURITIES, LLC STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

Cash Flows From Operating Activities:	
Net income	\$4,070,785
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash	
provided from operating activities:	
Unrealized gains and losses	364,994
Deferred taxes	(14,600)
Increase (decrease) in:	
Securities owned, net	773,506
Receivable from clearing broker	21,302
Prepaid expenses	(37,055)
Deposit with clearing broker	(175,000)
Accounts payable	544,632
Income taxes payable	<u> 110,120</u>
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u>5,658,684</u>
Cash Flows From Financing Activities:	
Member's distributions	<u>(1,725,000</u> )
Net Increase in Cash	3,933,684
Cash - Beginning of Year	2,136,803
Cash - End of Year	<u>\$6,070,487</u>
Supplemental Disclosures of Cash Flow Information:	
Cash paid during the year for:	
Income taxes	<u>\$ 73,992</u>
Interest	<u>\$ 9,070</u>

# BUSINESS DESCRIPTION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

# Organization and Nature of Business

Sea Port Group Securities, LLC (the Company) is a broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA). The Company was formed under the Limited Liability Company laws of the State of Delaware on May 4, 2001, and is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Seaport Group, LLC (Parent).

The Company is engaged in brokering and investing in defaulted high-yield securities of distressed companies. The Company also brokers trades of newly-issued equity securities of companies emerging from financial reorganizations for its clientele. The existing client base consists of large institutional funds that manage between \$100 million and several billion dollars.

### **Securities Transactions**

Securities transactions and related commissions and expenses are recorded on a settlement date basis, with an adjustment made monthly for trades made in euro dollars converted to U.S. dollars. There were no transactions during the year that would have a material effect on the financial statements if recorded on a trade date basis.

# Risks and Uncertainties

The Company invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur on the near term, and that such changes could materially affect the Company's balances and the amounts reported in the statement of financial condition.

Securities not readily marketable include investment securities (a) for which there is no market on a securities exchange or no independent publicly quoted market, (b) that cannot be publicly offered or sold unless registration has been effected under the Securities Act of 1933, or (c) that cannot be offered or sold because of other arrangements, restrictions, or conditions applicable to the securities or to the Company.

The financial statements include investments valued at approximately \$1,061,000 (approximately 79% of securities owned) as of December 31, 2008 whose values have been estimated by management at cost. The values assigned to the investments are based on available information and do not necessarily represent the amounts that might ultimately be realized, since such amounts depend on future circumstances and cannot be determined until the investments are actually liquidated. Because of the inherent uncertainty of valuations, estimated values may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market for the securities existed, and the differences could be material.

BUSINESS DESCRIPTION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued):

## Concentrations of Credit Risk

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Company to concentrations of credit risk consists principally of cash, and trading securities. The Company maintains its cash in two financial institutions. At December 31, 2008, approximately \$5,583,000 was in excess of federally insured amounts (\$250,000). The Company is engaged in various trading and brokerage activities in which counter parties primarily include broker-dealers, banks, and other financial institutions. In the event counter parties do not fulfill their obligations, the Company may be exposed to risk. The risk of default depends on the credit worthiness of the counter party or issuer of the instrument. It is the Company's policy to review, as necessary, the credit standing of each counter party.

# **Income Taxes**

The Company operates as a Limited Liability Company and files its tax returns with its Parent, as a partnership. The Company is not subject to Federal income taxes and, accordingly, the individual member reports its pro-rata share of income or loss on its individual income tax returns.

The current tax provision represents the New York City Unincorporated Business Tax, calculated on a combined basis with its Parent and allocated to the Company based upon its representative share of revenues less allowable expenses. Permanent and timing differences between the expected local income tax rate and the effective tax rate include the tax effects of unrealized gains or losses on marketable securities, the nondeductible portion of member's pension expenses, travel and entertainment expenses, and special depreciation. The amount of current tax or benefit calculated is either remitted to or received from the Parent. The amount of current and deferred taxes payable or refundable is recognized as of the date of the financial statements, utilizing currently enacted tax laws and rates. Deferred tax expenses or benefits are recognized in the financial statements for the changes in deferred tax liabilities or assets between years.

# Commissions

Commissions and related clearing expenses are recorded on a settlement-date basis as securities transactions occur.

### Foreign Currency Transactions

Periodically the Company engages in foreign security transactions that may produce translation gains or losses. These transactions occur in the normal course of business, but the translation gains or losses do not have a significant effect on the business.

Foreign currency translations are recorded currently with each transaction. Gains and losses from foreign currency transactions are included in net income. As of December 31, 2008, the net foreign currency loss was insignificant.

# **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

RECEIVABLE FROM AND PAYABLE TO BROKER-DEALERS AND CLEARING ORGANIZATIONS:

Amounts receivable from and payable to broker-dealers and clearing organizations at December 31, 2008, consist of the following:

	Receivable (payable)
Fees and commissions	\$ 39,522
Payable to clearing organizations	<u>(18,492)</u>
	<u>\$ 21,030</u>

The Company clears certain of its proprietary and customer transactions through another broker-dealer on a fully disclosed basis. The amount payable to the clearing broker relates to the aforementioned transactions and is collateralized by securities owned by the Company.

### **DEPOSIT WITH CLEARING BROKER:**

The Company maintains a clearing agreement with Ridge Clearing and Outsourcing Services. A non-interest bearing deposit in the amount of \$125,000 was made in October 2005, and \$175,000 in April 2008, and shall remain on deposit until the agreement is terminated. In the event this agreement is terminated prior to the initial expiration date, the Company would be subject to a termination fee.

### FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS:

The Company's financial assets and liabilities are carried at fair value or are carried at amounts which approximate fair value as the market value of such items is not materially sensitive to shifts in market interest rates due to the limited term to maturity of these instruments.

The Company adopted SFAS No. 157 as of January 1, 2008, which defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date, and expands disclosures about investments that are measured and reported at fair value. SFAS No. 157 establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value into three broad levels explained below:

Level 1 Valuations based on unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Company has the ability to access. Valuation adjustments are not applied to Level 1 securities. Since valuations are based on quoted prices that are readily and regularly available in an active market, valuation of these securities does not entail a significant degree of judgment.

# FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued):

- Level 2 Pricing inputs are other than used in Level 1 which include the closing bid price for unlisted marketable securities which are available in active or inactive markets for identical investments or liabilities, other direct or indirect observable inputs that can be corroborated by market data or the use of models or other valuation methodologies as of the reporting date. Investments which are generally included in this category include state and municipal obligations in an active or inactive market that are valued using observable inputs other than quoted prices.
- Level 3 Pricing inputs are unobservable for the investment and include situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the investment. The inputs into the determination of fair value require significant management judgment or estimation. Investments that are included in this category generally include state and municipal obligations which are in an inactive market and valued utilizing risk assumptions based on unobservable inputs.

The Company values its securities at December 31, 2008 as follows:

	At FMV_	<u>Unrealized</u>
Level 1 Marketable Securities	\$ 159,755	\$ 159,755
Level 1 Marketable Securities	<u>114,54</u>	(106,975)
	274,296	52,780
Level 3 Equity Securities	<u> 1,060,974</u>	
	\$ 1,335,270	<u>\$ 52,780</u>

Unrealized gains and losses are included in earnings and are reported in the Statement of Income as a component of other income and losses. Generally, for all trading securities, fair value is determined by reference to quoted market prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions. For those investments that there exists no market, management has determined fair market value by assessing market conditions surrounding the security.

The following is a reconciliation of investments measured at fair value on a recurring basis using significant unobservable (level 3) inputs:

Balance, at beginning of year	\$ 960,203
Unrealized gains/(losses) related to assets held at year end	-
Realized gains/(losses) related to assets no longer held	(564,865)
Purchases, issuances, and settlements	665,635
Balance, end of year	\$1,060,973

### RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS:

# Services Agreement

The Company entered into a service agreement with its Parent on April 1, 2002, on a continuous basis. The terms of the agreement grant the Company the right to use a designated portion of office space in addition to receiving the benefit of certain employment related and overhead costs incurred by the Parent. In return, the Company pays a servicing fee which is calculated based upon a percentage of aggregate revenue that the Company generates and is allocated between the Parent's employment compensation and overhead cost areas. The servicing fee is invoiced within 15 days of the end of each month and is payable upon demand.

For the year ended December 31, 2008, the Company incurred service agreement expenses, included in cost of operations, in the amount of approximately \$24,917,000. At December 31, 2008, the Company was obligated to its Parent in the amount of approximately \$2,034,000, which is included in accounts payable.

## **COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES:**

# Clearing Agreement

The Company is responsible for any loss, liability, damage, cost or expense incurred or sustained by the clearing agent as a result of the failure of any introduced account to make a timely payment for securities purchased or timely and good delivery of securities sold. To date, no such claims have been asserted, nor have such expenses been incurred.

### Lease Commitment

The Company maintains a sublease agreement with its Parent, expiring on January 30, 2014. The sublease is subject, and subordinate to, the Parent's prime lease. The Company pays its Parent an allocated portion of rent on a monthly basis in accordance with the terms of the services agreement, which is calculated based upon a percentage of revenue. For the year ended December 31, 2008, the Company incurred occupancy costs in the amount of approximately \$827,000.

### **INCOME TAXES:**

The Company is included in the combined federal income tax return filed by its Parent. New York City income taxes are calculated on a combined basis with the Parent and allocated proportionately. The current and deferred portions of the income tax expense (benefit) included in the statement of income as determined in accordance with FASB Statement No. 109, Accounting for Income Taxes, are as follows:

	<u>Current</u>	<u>Deferred</u>	<u>Total</u>
State and local	\$184,112	\$ (14,600)	\$169,512

# **INCOME TAXES (continued):**

A reconciliation of the difference between the expected income tax expense or income computed at the New York City statutory income tax rate and the Company's income tax expense is shown in the following table:

Expected income tax expense at New York City statutory tax rates

\$184,112

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Deferred tax benefit

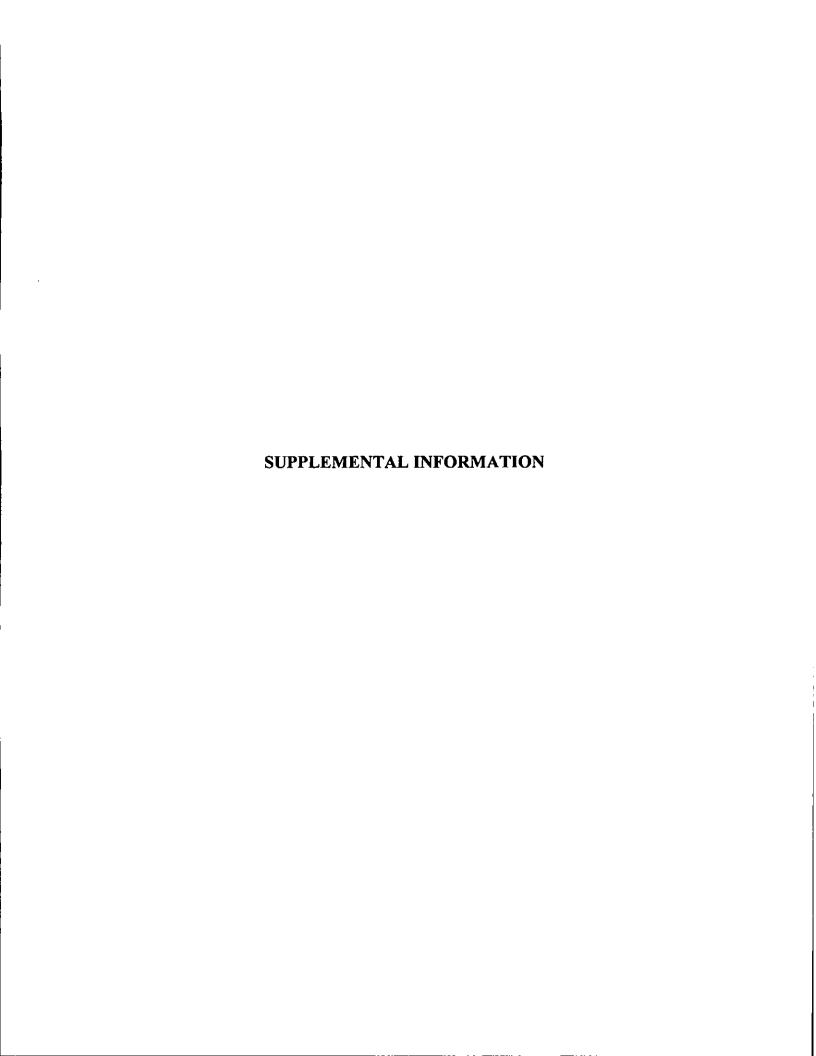
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# **NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS:**

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (SEC Rule 15c3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital, and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 15 to 1. At December 31, 2008, the Company had net capital of \$4,381,194, which was in excess of its required net capital of \$100,000. The Company's net capital ratio was 0.51 to 1. Additionally, the Company reported haircuts amounting to approximately \$41,000 on assets that were not readily marketable.

# SUBSEQUENT EVENTS:

A distribution to the member, in the amount of \$2,000,000, was approved by management and paid on January 13, 2009. In this regard, management believes that this event will have no adverse effect on future operations.



# SEA PORT GROUP SECURITIES, LLC SCHEDULE I COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL UNDER RULE 15c3-1 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

# AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2008

# Computation of Net Capital

Total member's equity qualified for net capital	\$ 5,588,429
Additions:	
Other allowable credits - deferred income taxes payable	2,111
Total capital	_5,590,540
Deductions:	
Non-allowable assets:	
Clearing deposit (subject to termination fee)	25,000
Prepaid expenses	82,228
Securities not readily marketable	1,060,974
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Net capital before haircuts on securities positions	
(tentative net capital)	4,422,338
Haircuts on securities:	
Other securities	41,144
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Net capital	<u>\$ 4,381,194</u>

# SEA PORT GROUP SECURITIES, LLC SCHEDULE I COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL UNDER RULE 15c3-1 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

# **DECEMBER 31, 2008**

# Computation of Aggregate Indebtedness (A.I.)

Accounts payable and accrued expenses  Less: deferred income taxes payable  Total aggregate indebtedness	\$ 2,220,585 2,111 \$ 2,218,474
Ratio: Aggregate indebtedness to net capital	<u>0.51 to 1</u>
Computation of Basic Net Capital Requirement	
Minimum net capital required (6-2/3% of A.I.)	<u>\$ 147,898</u>
Minimum dollar net capital requirement	<u>\$ 100,000</u>
Minimum net capital requirement	<u>\$ 147,898</u>
Excess net capital	<u>\$ 4,233,296</u>
Excess net capital at 1000%	\$ 4.159.347

# SEA PORT GROUP SECURITIES, LLC SCHEDULE II EXEMPTIVE PROVISIONS UNDER RULE 15c-3-3

**DECEMBER 31, 2008** 

The Company is exempt from the provisions of Rule Act of 1934 under the provisions of section (K)(2)(ii).	of the	Securities at	id Exchange

# SEA PORT GROUP SECURITIES, LLC SCHEDULE III INFORMATION RELATING TO THE POSSESSION OR CONTROL REQUIREMENTS UNDER RULE 15c3-3 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

**DECEMBER 31, 2008** 

The Company, as an introducing broker, clears all transactions with, and for, customers on a fully disclosed basis with a clearing broker and promptly transmits all customer funds and securities to the clearing broker who carries all of the accounts of such customers.

The Company does not maintain margin accounts for its customers and, therefore, there were no excess margin securities.

# SEA PORT GROUP SECURITIES, LLC SCHEDULE IV RECONCILIATIONS UNDER 17a-5(d)(4) OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

**DECEMBER 31, 2008** 

# Reconciliation with Company's Computation (included in Part II of FOCUS report as of DECEMBER 31, 2008)

Net capital, as reported in Company's Part II (unaudited) FOCUS report	\$ 4,517,599
Audit adjustments reducing non-allowable assets	(37,055)
Audit adjustments to allowable credits	14,600
Net audit adjustments reducing income	(113,950)
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Net capital	\$4.381.194

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL REQUIRED BY SEC RULE 17a-5 CLAIMING EXEMPTION FROM SEC RULE 15c3-3

To the Member Sea Port Group Securities, LLC

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Sea Port Group Securities, LLC, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2008, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Company's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.

Also, as required by rule 17a-5(g)(l) of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), we have made a study of the practices and procedures followed by the Company including consideration of control activities for safeguarding securities. This study included tests of such practices and procedures that we considered relevant to the objectives stated in rule 17a-5(g) in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness (or aggregate debits) and net capital under rule 17a-3(a)(11) and for determining compliance with the exemptive provisions of rule 15c3-3. Because the Company does not carry securities accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities, we did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company in any of the following:

- 1. Making quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications, and comparisons and recordation of differences required by rule 17a- 13.
- 2. Complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities under Section 8 of Federal Reserve Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control and the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of controls and of the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the SEC's above-mentioned objectives. Two of the objectives of internal control and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable but not absolute assurance that assets for which the Company has responsibility are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

Because of inherent limitations in internal control and the practices and procedures referred to above, error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of them to future periods is subject to the risk that they may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of their design and operation may deteriorate.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first and second paragraphs and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control and control activities for safeguarding securities that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

We understand that practices and procedures that accomplish the objectives referred to in the second paragraph of this report are considered by the SEC to be adequate for its purposes in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and related regulations, and that practices and procedures that do not accomplish such objectives in all material respects indicate a material inadequacy for such purposes. Based on this understanding and on our study, we believe that the Company's practices and procedures, as described in the second paragraph of this report, were adequate at December 31, 2008, to meet the SEC's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Directors, management, the SEC, and other regulatory agencies that rely on rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in their regulation of registered brokers and dealers, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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February 18, 2009

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